

04 NCAC 24C .0205 is proposed for amendment as follows:

04 NCAC 24C .0205 TELEPHONE HEARINGS

(a) Hearings shall be conducted by telephone conference call, unless a request is made for an in-person hearing at the time the appeal is filed or an objection is made pursuant to Rule .0206 of this Section.

~~(b) In cases of telephone hearings, the Appeals Section shall provide a Telephone Hearing Questionnaire for each party to use to submit each telephone number to be called by the Appeals Referee for the hearing. The Appeals Hearing Notice will list a telephone number for each party. This is the telephone number the Appeals Referee will call unless a different telephone number is provided in accordance with this Rule.~~

(1) If no telephone number is listed for a party, that party shall provide a telephone number directly to the Appeals Referee prior to the scheduled start time of the hearing.

(2) If a party wishes to be called at a telephone number other than the one listed, that party shall provide a telephone number directly to the Appeals Referee prior to the scheduled start time of the hearing.

(3) If a party wishes to have witnesses called for participation in the hearing, that party shall provide the name and telephone number for each witness directly to the Appeals Referee prior to the scheduled start time of the hearing.

~~(c) Each party may complete and submit the Telephone Hearing Questionnaire containing each number to be called for the hearing to the Appeals Referee listed in the hearing notice, or pursuant to 04 NCAC 24A .0104(b). Telephone numbers for parties and additional witnesses shall be provided to the Appeals Referee by telephone or by email. The telephone number and email address for the Appeals Referee are listed on the Appeals Hearing Notice.~~

~~(d) After receiving the hearing notice, and prior to the hearing, any party may contact the Appeals Referee to provide the name of each participant and each telephone number to be called for the hearing. In the absence of the submission by a party of any telephone number to be called for the hearing, the Appeals Referee shall call the party at the telephone number listed on the hearing notice. If a party fails to provide a telephone number to the Appeals Referee prior to the scheduled start time of the hearing, the Appeals Referee shall call the party at the telephone number listed on the Appeals Hearing Notice. If no telephone number is listed for a party, and no number has otherwise been provided in accordance with this Rule, no call will be placed to that party for the hearing.~~

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